

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended): A system for treating articles, comprising:
 - at least one bath, in which a treatment liquid is situated, into which the articles are to be dipped;
 - a feed device, which is adapted to convey the articles through the system and in the process are dipped into the at least one bath;
 - a dripping zone, which is disposed in the path of motion of the articles and is positioned downstream of a last bath;
 - a drier disposed downstream of the dripping zone, and,the feed device comprises at least one feed carriage, which in turn comprises:
 - a running gear movable along the path of motion of the articles having its own drive for driving along the path of motion of the articles;
 - at least one swivel arm hingedly coupled to the running gear by a gear unit;
 - a holding device hingedly coupled to the swivel arm for at least one article; and,
 - mutually independently actuatable drives for translational movement, swivelling motion of the at least one swivel arm and of the holding device;wherein the at least one feed carriage simultaneously serves as a tilting apparatus in the dripping zone, wherein the articles may be tilted into an angular position related to the horizontal that is suitable for dripping-off and wherein the at least one feed carriage is movable over the dripping zone to a point in the vicinity of the drier.
2. (original): The system of claim 1, wherein the at least one feed carriage is controllable in such a way that its holding device within the dripping zone is brought into at least two positions, in which it is tilted differently relative to the horizontal.